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MEMORANDUM

TO: Drs. Alexa Posny and Al Jones

FROM: Jacquelyn J. Thompson, Ph.D., Director
Office of Special Education and Early Intervention Services

DATE: April 27, 2007

SUBJECT: Michigan's State Performance Plan Resubmission

Per the communications beginning April 11, 2007, with Dr. Al Jones of the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), Michigan is submitting a new, complete State Performance Plan (SPP) with the OSEP-required revisions. The following revisions have been made to Indicators #1 and #5 in the SPP:

Indicator 1 - Graduation: Reset the graduation targets to show improvement over the course of 2005-2011 (See pages 12-19).

Indicator 5 - Least Restrictive Environment (LRE): Per OSEP's request, the 2005-2006 data set now serves as a new baseline for LRE. The 2005-2006 data reflect more accurately the amount of time each student spends in the regular classroom, special education settings within regular education buildings and separate facilities. It is not possible to revise the 2004-2005 data set, which was based on the time a student spent with a special education provider, regardless of setting (See pages 55-62).

The required Annual Performance Report (APR) revisions in Indicators #1 and #5 have been made, and per OSEP's request, the revised APR is being posted on the Michigan Department of Education website. The revised APR is not attached to this document.

The revised SPP is also being posted on the Michigan Department of Education website. The OSE/EIS is posting to all OSE/EIS listservs about the revised documents that will be available on the website.

No other revisions have been made to Michigan's previously submitted 2007 SPP or APR other than those described in this memo.

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